

MYSORE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

TENTH DAY.

Friday, 21st October 1955.

The House met in the Crawford Hall, Mysore, at Twelve of the Clock.

MR. SPEAKER (SRI H. S. RUDRAPPA, B.SC., LL.B.) in the Chair.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Amendments to Industrial Disputes Act.

Q.—488. Sri D. VENKATESH (Gandhinagar).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

whether they would consider the feasibility of making suggested amendments in the Industrial Disputes Act to provide that a decision for reference shall not be delayed beyond a period of 3 months from the date of the receipt by the Government of the Conciliation Officer's report ?

*A.—Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO (Minister for Law and Education).—

The proposed amendment to the Industrial Disputes Act, 1947 has to be considered by the Central Government.

Sri D. VENKATESH.—Is this not a concurrent subject ?

*Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO.—It is a piece of legislation passed by the Central Government.

Sri D. VENKATESH.—Has this Government no jurisdiction over this legislation ?

Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO.—Not for passing the legislation.

Sri D. VENKATESH.—Has this Government not amended the Industrial Disputes Act ?

Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO.—I want notice for that.

Sri D. VENKATESH.—Is it not a fact that this is a concurrent subject

and it is also within the jurisdiction of this Government to make feasible amendments ?

Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO.—Even in regard to concurrent subject, we have to take their concurrence before launching upon legislation.

Sri D. VENKATESH.—Will you consider whether it is feasible to make amendments to this legislation ?

Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO.—Personally I feel there is no objection. But no kind of restriction should be placed on a court of law that it should be done within a certain time. We want that it should be speedily done.

Sri K. S. VASAN.—Has it come to the notice of Government that proceedings before tribunals are unduly delayed ?

Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO.—In some cases there is delay.

Sri K. S. VASAN.—At least before examining this question and deciding on making amendments, would they give a general direction for the expeditious settlement of disputes pending before tribunals ?

Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO.—I think even such a direction would not be constitutional.

Sri K. S. VASAN.—Is it not a fact that the Government have last year amended the Industrial Disputes Act ?

Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO.—I want notice.

*Indicates that the speech has not been revised by the Member concerned.